

**Final Meeting Minutes  
375<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee  
January 27, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. by Brian McGlone  
Members Present: Stephen Page, Roberta Flannery, Paul Mei, Anita Catardi, Brian McGlone, Janet Testa, Carl Balestracci, Veronica Wallace

**Public Comment:** N/A

**Minutes:**

Stephen motion to approve the minutes of January 6, 2014, Anita second, unanimous.

**Treasurer's Update:** N/A

**Correspondence:**

Milford is having their 375<sup>th</sup>. They asked if Guilford would like to join them and Fairfield in a softball game on June 21<sup>st</sup> or 28<sup>th</sup>, in Stratford.

Anita motioned to respectfully decline, Stephen second, unanimous approval.

**Crystal Ball:**

The invitation is almost finished and will be run in the papers for publicity.

The ball is on March 29<sup>th</sup> – 200 person max – 10 people per table - \$125 per person – two free drinks voucher.

Rough count shows about 50 – 55 people already committed.

If anyone has a group of ten, a table will be reserved.

Tickets will become available for purchase this week. They will be purchased online. Page's will sell tickets for cash or check.

**Book Status:**

The anticipated release is during February. It was suggested that the book be dedicated to Edith Nettleton. A motion was made by Stephen to dedicate the Commemorative Book to Edith Nettleton, seconded by Carl Balestracci, unanimous approval. An article was written by Patty Baldwin and approved by Carl.

**Trails/Covenant Weekend:**

**Trails –**

The mural will be unveiled on June 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

There will be a canoe paddle starting at Neck Road and swinging around Chaffinch.

Walks and hikes will take place at the East River Preserve.

There will be an historical event at Foote Cemetery.

June 7<sup>th</sup> will have at least one canoe paddle, and walks and hikes through the downtown area.

The unveiling of Rollwood Park and Covenant Commemoration will follow.

The south end of the Green will have exhibits, relative to the events taking place.

June 8<sup>th</sup> will have at least one paddle and one hike and guided tours downtown.

The dedication ceremony and ribbon cutting for the National New England Trail will take place at 5:00 p.m.

The subcommittee is working on a list of dignitaries and V.I.P.'s to send invitations.

There will be a better idea of parking and busses, when there is a clearer idea of attendance.

Carl motion to approve Paul's request for invitations for the dignitaries and V.I.P.'s, to not exceed the amount of \$500, to be purchased, Anita second, unanimous.

### **Covenant –**

Rollwood Farm unveiling is at 1:00 and Covenant Dedication is at 2:00.

Carl spoke with Bill Seakamp, to do a portrait. Mr. Seakamp only paints landscapes, but suggested an artist in Killingworth. Carl spoke with her and she is very excited. A few descendents will stand as models to depict the signing of the Covenant.

The portrait can be donated to the town and hung at Town Hall. Prints could be made and sold as a fundraiser.

There is no solid cost for the portrait, at this time.

Carl is working with Jim Portley on moving the Covenant stone. The stone is 24'L x 6'W x 18"H. Only 12" of stone will be seen above ground level.

The Committee requested that Veronica find out for the Trails/Covenant people if a car show would be an enhancement or a distraction. Veronica will pursue.

**Civil War:**

Brian presented the Civil war reenactment schedule. There will be a more activities throughout the day.

Park Street is intended to be closed, during this event. Permission has been secured by the Police Department.

Adams and Leete Schools will allow the use of the parking lots. Brian will research bus costs.

As of now, the cost of the event is around \$15,000. \$7,000 has been procured in donations, with another \$1,000 promised.

**Website:**

There will be explicit permission from parents, in order to place children's pictures on the site.

This is the last week to launch the monthly trivia contest. The prize will be a tshirt.

The website is being updated weekly. Lisa asks that everyone fill out a form for requests, in order to mainstream anything that the Committee would like to get online.

Contacts through the website are beginning to pick up.

**Publicity:**

N/A

**Merchandise Requests:**

All merchandise requests will go to Stephen page and Janet Testa for fleshing out and then they will bring to full committee for a yay or nay.

**Adjournment:**

The Committee agreed to change the next meeting date to February 10, 2014.

There being no further business to discuss, Stephen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Brian, with unanimous approval at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bonnie Moore, Clerk